

Penalties and Sentences (Sexual Offences) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025

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As a child sexual abuse survivor and domestic violence survivor. It is time to remove good character references from convicted perpetrators. It is deeply traumatic to hear how perpetrators are portrayed as people of good character in the community, yet when they are behind closed doors create lasting harm to their victims. Until the community is educated and understands that they are being groomed so perpetrators can continue perpetuating heinous acts of violence, and character references are removed completely, victims will always come last. Please hear our voices, please remove character references from being introduced for convicted criminals.